

June 18, 2012

Letter of Appeal
Schools and Libraries - Correspondence Unit
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RE: Letter of Appeal for 2011 Form 486 Application number 880814 for Lincoln King Academy, BEN-16056060

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to you to appeal the service start dates for the following FRN's: 2165852, 2165856, 2165861, 2178812, and 2178818 as noted on the Form 486 Notification Letter dated June 15, 2012. The original Form 486 was filed on December 17, 2011 which is well within filing window. The 486 was not certified right after the form 486 was filed, however instead of certifying the USAC/Schools & Libraries online system did not certify, but no error message was received. Please see the copy of the form 486 certification attached with an error message in block 7. This error message was not shown on the screen, and the system acted as if the certification was valid. I thought that the form was properly certified. Please see the attached form for your reference.

A reminder letter was mailed to me by USAC alerting me to the 486 certification issue on March 27, 2012. I left for a month long vacation on March 21, 2012. I read the reminder letter upon my return to the office on April 23, 2012. As soon as I read the letter, I certified the Form 486 (Please see that certification attached for your reference).

I am asking that you reverse the 120 day 486 deadline ruling associated with Form 471 number 799706, and Form 486 number 880814, and change the service start date back to July 1, 2011 for all FRN's noted above. This action will allow for full reimbursement in the amounts awarded in the FCDL. The 486 was filed in compliance with Erate rules and regulations. The lack of certification was an error with the computer system and not intentional. As noted earlier, no error was shown on the screen and the Erate online system mimicked the same procedure as certification. In addition, certification was executed as soon as was possible after the reminder letter was sent.

If you have any questions or need further clarification, you can reach me by phone at 248-761-6256 or email at Valerie@grantconsultingservices.com. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Valerie A. Nelson